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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D. C. 20231

RESPONSE

Dear Sir:

This is in response to the Notice of Informal Response mailed on Nov. 12, 2005, allowing a one month period to file a formal response. A one month extension of time is requested in the attached petition, and any fees due for this matter may be charged to Deposit Account 50-1078, or any overpaid fees are requested to be refunded to said Deposit Account.

The Office Action mailed March 2, 2005, requires Applicant to make species elections, which were unintentionally omitted in Applicant's April 22, 2005 response. A further response on May 16 inadvertently omitted one of the several species elections required. Applicant again thanks the Examiner for the additional opportunity to respond. Applicant now responds as follows:

Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-23.

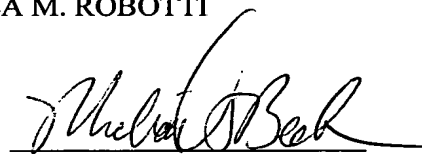
As species elections, Applicant elects the species wherein the nucleophile is an amine moiety, wherein the linker includes a photocleavable group having the structure (IV), wherein the deglycosylated protein is released from the solid support by exposing the resin bound deglycosylated protein to light, and wherein the released proteins are subjected to mass spectrometric analysis. Basis for the species election may be found in original claim 7, pp. 14-15 of the specification, and original claims 4 and 19.

Claims which read on the elected species include claims 1-11 and 14-19.

Respectfully submitted,

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